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## RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 20, 2003, Applicants submit that the following Remarks and accompanying Terminal Disclaimer for the patent application identified above. The two-month date for responding to this Office Action is December 20, 2003 which falls on Saturday, extending the due date to Monday, December 22, 2003.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Response and accompanying Terminal Disclaimer and consideration of the remarks below. This response should be entered and considered because it directly addresses the remaining obviousness-type double patenting rejections and places the application in condition for allowance.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.